

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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1 AN ACT relating to coroners.

## 2 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

- 3 → Section 1. KRS 64.185 is amended to read as follows:
- 4 (1) (a) Coroners shall receive out of the county, consolidated local government,
  5 charter county government, urban-county government, or unified local
  6 government treasury, whichever is appropriate, the monthly compensation the
  7 fiscal court of each county shall fix, subject to the following minimums:

8	County	Monthly Minimum
9	Population	Compensation
10	<u>1.{(a)}</u> 10,000 or less	\$200
11	<u>2.{(b)}</u> 10,001 to 20,00	300
12	<u>3.[(e)]</u> 20,001 to 40,00	00 350
13	<u>4.{(d)}</u> 40,001 to 60,00	00 400
14	<u>5.{(e)}</u> 60,001 to 100,0	000 450
15	<u>6.{(f)}</u> 100,001 to 150,	,000 800
16	<u>7.{(g)}</u> 150,001 or mor	e 1,000

17 (b) Coroners who hold a current certificate of continuing education, issued jointly
18 by the Department of Criminal Justice Training, Justice and Public Safety
19 Cabinet, and the Office of the Kentucky State Medical Examiner, Justice and
20 Public Safety Cabinet, shall be paid the following minimum monthly
21 compensation set forth in this subsection in recognition of the training:

22	County		Monthly Minimum
23	Population	n	Compensation
24	<u>1.{(a)}</u>	10,000 or less	\$400
25	<u>2.{(b)}</u>	10,001 to 20,000	500
26	<u>3.[(e)]</u>	20,001 to 40,000	650
27	<u>4.[(d)]</u>	40,001 to 60,000	750

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1	<u>5.[(e)]</u>	60,001 to 100,000	850
2	<u>6.[(f)]</u>	100,001 to 150,000	1,100
3	<u>7.[(g)]</u>	150,001 or more	1,300

Deputy coroners who hold a current certificate of continuing education, as described in subsection (1)(b) of this section, shall receive out of the county, consolidated local government, charter county government, urban-county government, or unified local government treasury, whichever is appropriate, the monthly compensation the fiscal court of each county shall fix, subject to the following minimums:

9		County	Monthly Minimum
10		Population	Compensation
11	(a)	10,000 or less	\$200
12	(b)	10,001 to 20,000	250
13	(c)	20,001 to 40,000	275
14	(d)	40,001 to 60,000	300
15	(e)	60,001 to 100,000	400
16	(f)	100,001 to 150,000	900
17	(g)	150,001 or more	1,100

- 18 (3) The fiscal court of any county, or the legislative body of a consolidated local government, charter county government, urban-county government, or unified local government may compensate coroners and deputy coroners an additional amount of up to three hundred dollars (\$300) per month as an expense allowance.
- 22 (4) The initial course of continuing education required under subsection (1)(b) of this 23 section shall consist of a forty (40) hour basic training course prescribed by the 24 Justice and Public Safety Cabinet. Annually thereafter the coroner shall attend and 25 successfully complete at least eighteen (18) hours of approved training in order to 26 be compensated in accordance with subsection (1)(b) of this section.
- 27 (5) If a deputy coroner assumes the office of coroner after receiving the training

- stipulated in this section, the deputy coroner shall be compensated in accordance
  with the compensation schedule set forth in subsection (1)(b) of this section.
- The number of deputy coroners in a county shall not exceed one (1) for each twenty-five thousand (25,000) inhabitants, or fraction thereof, according to the most recent federal census, but every coroner may, subject to the approval of the legislative body of the county, consolidated local government, charter county government, urban-county government, or unified local government, appoint additional deputy coroners, regardless of population.

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Attest: